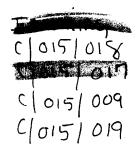


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Gentleman:

Enclosed are the monthly discharge reports for the Deer Creek, Des-Bee-Dove, Trail Mountain, and Wilberg mines and the Hunter Coal Preparation and Blending Facility for the month of November 2000.

No exceedances were reported for the November reporting period. Please note that there is only one (1) sample for the Trail Mountain mine discharge (UPDES #UT0023728-002). Two (2) quality samples are required per month, although, the discharge was shut down shortly after the first sample was taken.

Also, please accept my apologies for the lateness of this report. The laboratory that currently conducts the quality analysis for us is undergoing numerous staff changes. They are having difficulty reporting results in a timely manner. I anticipate a return to normal operation of the lab soon.

If you have any questions concerning this report, please feel free to call Dennis Oakley at 687-4825 or Chuck Semborski at 687-4720.

Sincerely,

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